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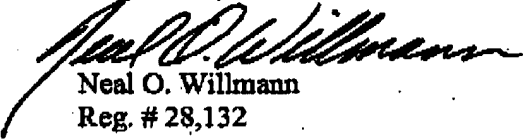
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Sir: **Re: RCE and Amendment**

With regard to the above-referenced application, which was **finally rejected** in an Office Action mailed March 8, 2005, please admit the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and accompanying amendments to the claims. Applicant also specifically requests that a previously filed, un-entered amendment to the claims filed on June 8, 2005, remain un-entered. Applicant is also enclosing a petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

See attached accompanying amendments to the claims. Applicant is authorizing the amendment of claim 10 to clearly indicate that the heating means, the temperature sensing means and the signal means are all located within the tube aspect of the claimed device. Support for the amendment of claim 10 can be found on page 3, lines 8-10, where it is readily apparent that the disclosed and claimed device comprises a tube containing a heat source, a detection means, and a signal means to alert the operator of an altered state in the system being monitored.

Respectfully submitted,


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